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SUBJ: Coverage of Sino-US Talks

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December 12

1. Press reports ~~xxx~~ Department's/noon briefing ~~xxx~~ on

December 11 meeting speculate explicitly that substance of meeting dealt with renewal of regular ambassadorial talks.

Reuters categorically reports Dept announced meeting was "to discuss resumption of full-scale ambassadorial ~~xxx~~ talks".

AP says meeting "apparently" was to discuss resumption but adds that McCloskey had ~~xxx~~ declined to discuss content.

2. Embassy should, as soon as possible, ^{have} ~~xxx~~ Emboff deliver copy of actual transcript of noon briefing (being sent septel) to Chinese Embassy. Emboff should orally state this being done to correct any possible misinterpretation by Chinese based on wire service reports that Dept ~~xxx~~ spokesman violated Ambassador Stoessel's agreement with Chinese charge to avoid

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any reference to substance of meeting. Emboff should state he under instructions from Washington to emphasize that press reports [REDACTED] were based completely on individual reporters' * speculations. [REDACTED]

3. Report any ChiCom reaction.

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